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## Rep. Kremer Statement on Release of Public School Bathroom Bill

**Madison, WI** – On Tuesday, Representative Jesse Kremer (R-Kewaskum) and Senator Stephen Nass (R-Whitewater) circulated a bill for co-sponsorship that would provide a statewide policy for gender specific bathroom use in public schools.

In response to recent situations in school districts around the state, the bill reinforces that gender specific bathrooms and locker facilities are not to be used by persons of the opposite biological gender. Should a student express to a school board in writing that he or she identifies as the opposite gender, the school must accommodate that student with a reasonable alternative such as a single occupancy or faculty bathroom or changing area.

Representative Kremer issued the following statement:

"This bill is first and foremost to keep our kids safe. Clarifying the appropriate use of bathroom and locker facilities will ensure that the dignity of all students is respected in these areas where privacy and safety are paramount."

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